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GAME-CHANGING INFLUENZA VACCINES

A report from the Comprehensive Influenza Vaccine Initiative (CCIVI) was released Monday, "[The Compelling Need for Game-Changing Influenza Vaccines: An Analysis of the Influenza Vaccine Enterprise and Recommendations for the Future](#)." This extensive report, led by the Center for Infectious Disease Research & Policy (CIDRAP) at the University of Minnesota provides ten key findings and six recommendations on influenza vaccination, and will require careful public communication to ensure that the results are not misinterpreted. As a reminder, influenza vaccination is safe and currently the most effective preventive measure we have against influenza.

Press Release: [New Minnesota led analysis finds urgent need for new influenza vaccines](#)

Related News Articles

- [Report: Complacency, misperception stymie quest for better flu vaccines](#)
- [A game-changing approach to investigating flu vaccines](#)
- [Flu Shots Not That Great?](#)
- [Report questions claims of flu vaccine efficacy, rationale for use](#)

MDCH CONFIRMS FIRST FLU CASES OF THE SEASON

As described in a [press release on Monday](#), MDCH has confirmed 12 cases of influenza, the first identified by the state laboratory during the 2012-2013 flu season in Michigan. The illnesses occurred in both children and adults in lower Michigan. At least two people were hospitalized. Nine cases have been confirmed as influenza B viruses, two as influenza A (H3N2) virus, and one as influenza A (H1N1) 2009 virus.

Related News Articles

- [Michigan reports its first cases of seasonal flu](#)
- [MDCH confirms first influenza cases of the season](#)
- [State lab confirms first batch of flu cases in Michigan; "ample supply" of vaccine available](#)

JOURNAL ARTICLES

- The European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control recently published their [2011-12 influenza season](#) surveillance report.
- Are health care workers protected? [An observational study of selection and removal of personal protective equipment in Canadian acute care hospitals](#)
- [Seasonal influenza immunization in early infancy?](#)
- [Immunogenicity of a quadrivalent Ann Arbor strain live attenuated influenza vaccine delivered using a blow-fill-seal device in adults: a randomized, active-controlled study](#)

INFLUENZA NEWS ARTICLES

- [Sanofi Pasteur Announces Application for New Four-Strain Influenza Vaccine Accepted by FDA for Review](#)
- [Building the Immunization Neighborhood: The Role of the Pharmacist](#)
- [A new approach to deadly influenza outbreaks in nursing homes](#)

HEALTH CARE PERSONNEL FLU VACCINATION REPORTING

The CDC is [conducting three webinars](#) on the new HCP vaccination reporting requirements on Tuesday, October 23, from 12 PM-1 PM ET; Thursday, October 25, from 1 PM-2 PM ET; and Monday, November 5, from 2 PM-3 PM ET. Participants will learn about NHSN requirements for reporting Healthcare Personnel Influenza Vaccination Summary data.

Mandatory Policies

IAC updated their webpage "[First Do No Harm: Mandatory Influenza Vaccination Policies for Healthcare Personnel \(HCP\) Help Protect Patients](#)." The page contains new information about mandatory influenza vaccination policies for healthcare personnel and resources for healthcare institutions including links to vaccination recommendations, tool kits, and useful print pieces like screening checklists, declination forms, and sample standing orders.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Earn CME credits through a Medscape online activity, [Building the Immunization Neighborhood: The Role of the Pharmacist](#)

NEWSLETTERS AND HANDOUTS

The October issue of the Immunization Action Coalition's (IAC's) Needle Tips is [now available](#).

IAC also developed a new handout, "[Cocooning Protects Babies](#)," which provides information on the dangers of pertussis and influenza in infants and benefits of vaccinating those around them.

FLU RESOURCES

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MDCH: www.michigan.gov/flu

CDC: www.cdc.gov/flu

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